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MESSIAH COMPLEX: *AND THEN THERE WERE 199!*



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THE END ISN'T NEAR...IT'S HERE!



With the stunning conclusion to *Endangered Species*, the impossible has happened—a new mutant has been discovered! *X-Men: Messiah Complex One-Shot* kicks off the first major X-Men crossover in over two years and sets the X-Men on a course that will leave them forever changed...assuming they survive the X-genocide! Written by Eisner-winning "Best Writer" Ed Brubaker (*Uncanny X-Men*) and featuring the art of superstar Marc Silvestri (*Civil War: The Initiative*), this special one-shot kicks off one of the most significant stories in X-Men history! Perfect for readers new and old, *X-Men: Messiah Complex One-Shot* sends the X-Men, the New X-Men, X-Factor, the Marauders and many more on a quest to secure this new mutant, hoping to discover the reason for such a ferocious manifestation. But what does each group want with this child? And which X-Men will turn against their own teammates to further their own agenda?

"When we say huge, we mean HUGE," says X-Men editor Nick Lowe. "The biggest X-Men story of the decade begins here. The line is drawn and the future of the mutant race is at stake. Sides are taken and not everyone takes the side you think they will."

"We've got one of the biggest writers in comics and one of the best X-Men artists ever on board to kick off this story that changes the X-Men as we know them. If you're an X-Men reader, you are in for such a treat. If you've gone missing and left us in the X-Office behind, this is what you need to come back for. Ed Brubaker and Marc Silvestri both brought their A-Game to this and it's going to show. And David Finch on the cover makes this a must-have. But the best thing? The story only gets better."

"No book comes out of this unscathed. And the X-Men are up for the biggest change since the 80's."

It's been a decade since the last major X-Men crossover and the roads have been planted for the most X-plosive event in X-Men history! As the first new mutant enters the world, everyone's true agenda comes to light and marauding reaches the point of no return. As the X-Men meet their end, the *Messiah Complex* will reign supreme and nothing will ever be the same!

X-MEN: MESSIAH COMPLEX ONE-SHOT

Written by ED BRUBAKER

Penalized by MARC SILVESTRI

SA20 Cover by DAVID FINCH

SA20 Variant Cover by MARC SILVESTRI

Rated T+ \$3.99

X-MEN: MESSIAH COMPLEX POSTER

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A SKRULL WALKS AMONG US!



Illustration by [illegible]

The Kalf: The Secret War, M-Day, The Civil War. These events have shaken the Marvel Universe to its very core over the past year, but are they merely coincidence, or part of a larger plan? In the pole-positioning *New Avengers #12*, it was revealed that Ultron, the leader of the Hand clan, was actually a Skrull in disguise. This startling discovery may be the beginning of a Skrull invasion, and it only stands to be too late for Earth. The *New Avengers* have already started to question who among them is a Skrull. Now, the *Daily Bugle* takes a look at the Mighty Avengers line-up and asks: Who is a Skrull?

The Mighty Avengers

Idea New: Tony Stark pushed the Superhero Registration Act through legislation coming a crotchynose superhero war, and now he signs over S.H.I.E.L.D., one of the most powerful military organizations in the world. In all of this Ultron business, just as much to go off the radar and make contact with other Skrull allies?

Skrull-o-Meter: 4 of 4

Ms. Marvel: As Tony's right-hand woman and leader of the Mighty Avengers, Carol Danvers is in a position of power as well — can she be trusted?

Skrull-o-Meter: 2 of 4

The Sentry: The man with "the power of a million exploding suns" is known to struggle from acute

self-hatred, so perhaps he could be a Skrull and not know it himself?

Skrull-o-Meter: 3 of 4

Avon: The sun-burn powerhouse of The Mighty Avengers does not exactly follow orders well, but that might be due to his brash personality rather than a secret Skrull identity.

Skrull-o-Meter: 2 of 4

Wasp: One of the founding members of the Avengers, the Wasp has a lot more than Skrulls on her mind after Ultron just declared war on her while sporting the face of Janet Van Dyne.

Skrull-o-Meter: 1 of 4

Wander Man: Super hero, actor, and stuntman Simon Williams has not done anything out of the ordinary lately, but acting ordinary for a super hero is out of the ordinary in itself.

Skrull-o-Meter: 1 of 4

Black Widow: Like Jessica Drew, the Black Widow has held many alter egos over her illustrious career; plus, she used to be one of Tony Stark's lovers. If Tony is a Skrull, couldn't he have retooled her into joining a legion of invading Skrulls?

Skrull-o-Meter: 2 of 4

Held on high: Time Believers, because things are about to get tricky for the New and Mighty Avengers, as well as the entire Marvel Universe! A Skrull could be lurking around every corner! When moments explode and push comes to shove, you must ask yourself, "Who do you trust?"

ACCLAIMED NOVELIST LETHEM RE-IMAGINES OMEGA: THE UNKNOWN

In 1975, co-writers Steve Gerber and Mary Skerine created the most reluctant anti-hero, Omega the Unknown. Although the series only lasted for ten brief issues, one of the original fans cannot wait to be acclaimed novelist Jonathan Lethem (*Masterless Revolution*, *Paradox of Solitude*). Now the award-winning writer Lethem, along with Karl Buzsaki and talented artists Paul Derynple and Paul Hornschmeier are revisiting an Omega for the twenty-first century in Omega: *The Unknown #1*.

In the original series, Omega was the lone survivor of an alien planet pursued by the robots who destroyed his world. The narrative was also steeped with a young named James-Michael Starling who had recently lost both his parents in a tragic car accident. The hero and the boy travel to New York City where Omega The Unknown becomes a small-time superhero and James-Michael faces trials in an inner-city public school. Despite vicissitudes the year due to James-Michael's mysterious resemblance to Omega, but before any definite conclusions

were drawn, the series ended with Omega's untimely death!

Over three decades later, Jonathan Lethem is re-defining the series in a ten chapter series that will thrill old and new fans alike — you can't miss the first chapter of Omega: *The Unknown* this October!

OMEGA: THE UNKNOWN #1

Written by JONATHAN LETHEM

with KARL BUZSAKI

Art by PAUL DERYNPLE

and PAUL HORNSCHEIMER

Rated T+ \$3.99

OMEGA THE UNKNOWN TPB

Written by STEVE GERBER,

MARY SKERINE, STEVEN GRANT &

MARK GRUENWALD

Penched by JIM MOONEY & HERB TRIMPE

Cover by GIL KANE

Rated T+ \$39.99



OMEGA: THE UNKNOWN #1

MARVEL ZOMBIES

The best-selling *Marvel Zombies* phenomenon returns this fall with the long-awaited sequel: *Marvel Zombies 2!* Featuring more zombies and more blood than you can shake a decapitated head at, fan favorite writer Robert Kirkman, Eisner-winning artist Sean Phillips and acclaimed cover artist Arthur Suydam return with a tale of Civil War...zombie style! The *Zombies* have traveled beyond Earth, to all corners of the universe, and now return home to feast. But is there anything left for them to devour?

"The *Marvel Zombies* have been out in the courts, eating and making new friends for 40 years," explained Kirkman. "But there's nothing left out there—the food is all gone and so all they can do is return to Earth and start over. Meanwhile, a small pocket of civilization has been flourishing on Earth. The conflict leads to a rift in the zombie ranks—and what we end up with is *Marvel Zombie versus Marvel Zombie!*"

But if you're as hungry as our half-dead heroes, you'll want some more *Zombie* action and Marvel doesn't disappoint. Be sure to pick up *Marvel Spotlight: Marvel Zombies*, which takes a special look back at the origin of this fan favorite, instant cult classic, including interviews with the creative minds behind it all!

And then in *Marvel Zombies: The Covers HC*, you'll get a look at the gorgeous *Zombie* art of Arthur Suydam, Greg Land and Kyle Hotz, along with never-before-seen covers! These *zombie* covers have captured the attention of fans everywhere and now for the first time they're being collected in one gory volume!

And the Bugle can't say much yet, but the *Marvel Zombies* have taken a bite out of many of the October *Marvel* titles. Be on the lookout this October for *Zombie* variants on a plethora of titles, but which of your favorite books will have undead variant covers? We could tell you, but we'd have to eat your brains!

This October, it's not about whose side you're on—it's all about whose insides you're in when *Marvel Zombies 2* arrives!

MARVEL ZOMBIES 2 #1 (of 5)

Written by ROBERT KIRKMAN

penciled by SEAN PHILLIPS

Cover by ARTHUR SUYDAM

Parental Advisory: \$2.99

MARVEL SPOTLIGHT: MARVEL ZOMBIES

Written by JOEY DHEIT THOMAS

Rated T+ \$2.99

MARVEL ZOMBIES: THE COVERS HC

Featuring the artwork of ARTHUR SUYDAM, GREG LAND & KYLE HOTZ

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MARVEL ZOMBIES: DEAD DAYS POSTER

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MARVEL ZOMBIES: DEAD DAYS POSTERMAN POSTER

RETURN FOR SECONDS!



MARVEL ZOMBIES 2 #1

HOWARD THE DUCK "SAVES" THE WORLD HE NEVER MADE!



HOWARD THE DUCK #1

Imagine...a world without internet, television, or even radio...a dark, lonely, and terrible place. Who is to blame for this desolate, radio-free wasteland? Why, none other than Marvel's laziest fowl, Howard the Duck! Because you demanded it, the unlucky duck is back on his own, all-new limited series starting with (the appropriately titled) *Howard the Duck #1*. Writer Ty Templeton and artist Juan Bobillo, both of *Sho-Wall* fame, bring you a new sight on the cosmic bird from Duckworld.

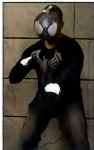
This time, Howard the Duck is facing a foe more dastardly than Dr. Bong. Gorko the Mez-Frog and the sinister Hollow combined. His deadliest enemy is...the

media!!!! The voluptuous vixen known as Beverly Switzer is here to help out her duck-billed lover, but the largest head in the Marvel Universe, M.O.D.O.K. is a little big his giant noggin in their direction! If that's not enough to get you to buy this outrageous book, then we only have four words for you—Beverly...Ag leaf out!! "Waff waff."

This Fall, only one word can sum up all the over-the-top, feather-brained action in *Howard the Duck #1*—**"WAAAAGH!!!"**

HOWARD THE DUCK #1
Written by TY TEMPLETON
Pencils and Cover by JUAN BOBILLO
Retail A: \$2.99

MARVEL'S FIRST ANNUAL COSTUME CONTEST!



COSTUME FROM BUCK

Do you spend every Halloween dressed up as your favorite Marvel super hero or villain? Well, Marvel wants to see you in your costume and maybe landing you a prize from the annual contest. All you have to do is head over to Marvel.com/costumecontest right now to enter Marvel's First Annual Costume Contest!

The deadline for submissions is October 25. Then from October 26 through October 30, Marvel fans will be able to vote on Marvel.com for their favorite Marvel Costume Contest entry. Then, beginning on Halloween, check Marvel.com/costumecontest to see if you're one of the winners of Marvel's First Annual Costume Contest!

The Grand Prize Winner will receive a personalized handbook, guaranteed to appear in a Marvel comic book, and be spotlighted in a feature article on Marvel.com along with a signed Captain America shield by Ed Skubert! Plus, one randomly selected user will win a signed Captain America shield by Ed Skubert! You get to help judge the competition.

What are you waiting for? Only your Marvel costume, your digital camera, and head to Marvel.com/costumecontest to enter Marvel's First Annual Costume Contest!

FOR COMPLETE RULES VISIT MARVEL.COM/COSTUMECONTEST

NO PURCHASE IS NECESSARY TO ENTER OR WIN. The Costume Contest is open to U.S. residents in the 50 United States and the District of Columbia who have not previously won a prize by entering this contest. Contest starts 9/27/07 and ends 10/25/07. See the official rules at www.marvel.com/costumecontest for additional restrictions, entry instructions and for the judging criteria.

THE INITIATIVE'S SENSATIONAL SCARLET SPIDERS

Prepare yourself for the spider action in *Avengers: The Initiative #1*, as three Sensational Scarlet Spiders go on the hunt. Dan Slott and Stefano Caselli bring you the next pulse-pounding issue following the new era of the law in the Marvel Universe: The Initiative.

Guided by Tony Stark's Iron Spider suit, the Scarlet Spiders are the most mysterious heroes to come out of the Initiative. That the law is now then dispatch these masked spider into the Streets, Hydro-Man and Ironmonger without breaking a sweat. Though we've seen them in action, no one seems to know who, or what, lurks behind their golden eyes.

After months of speculation, writer Dan Slott and artist Stefano Caselli are prepared to reveal to readers the identity of one of the Scarlet Spiders!

This spectacular spider filled issue also features a surprise guest appearance by one of Spider-Man's most infamous enemies. And if that's not enough spider-action, Peter Parker himself makes a very surprising pre-One More Day appearance.

AVENGERS: THE INITIATIVE #1
Written by DAN SLOTT
Pencils & Cover by STEFANO CASELLI
Retail T+: \$2.99



AVENGERS: THE INITIATIVE #1

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